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Applicants petition the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks for an extension of time for response to the Office Action dated May 12, 1997, for which a Notice of Appeal was filed on November 12, 1997, and received by the Patent Office on November 17, 1997, for four (4) months, from January 17, 1998 to May 17, 1998. A CPA Application is enclosed herewith.

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